

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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REFORMATION OF EDUCATION POLICY
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of the Education policy;
- (b) whether the need of the hour is for a complete transformation in education; and
- (c) if so, the details of reforms being undertaken in the Education Policy with reference to SC,ST,OBC and weaker sections of the society?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c) : The National Policy on Education (NPE),1986 (as modified in 1992) provides for a National System of Education, which implies that up to a given level,all students, irrespective of caste, creed, location or sex, have access to education of a comparable quality. It also accords priority for improvement of the standard of education at all levels for children living in rural and urban areas. The matter regarding formulation of a new Education Policy is under consideration of the Government.